



HAPPY HUSTLE HIGH

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••HANABI OZORA••

The former heroine (?) of an all-girls school. Hates injustice. Loves sports. Can fight like a guy. Her biggest problem? Wa-a-ay too much messy hair.



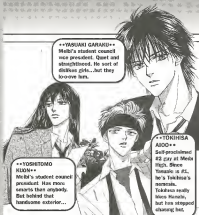
••TAKERU SUNO••

Hanabi's childhood pal. He's lived the past decade in Denmark. Now he's back in Japan saying he "practically raised Hanabi." He's pushy, cocky—and just as cute as Yase.

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CHARACTERS



==YASUAKI GARAND==

Meibi's student council
was president. Quiet and
straightforward. No sort of
dickwad girls...but they
lo-o-ve him.

==YOSHITOMO
KUGO==

Meibi's student council
president. Has more
smarts than anybody.
But behind that
handsome exterior...

==TAKIHISA
AIOO==

Self-proclaimed
#1 guy at Meibi
High. Since
Yosako is #1,
he's Takihisa's
nemesis.
Takahisa really
likes Harabi,
but has stopped
showing her.

•••STORY•••

An ordinary all-girls school merges with Meibi High, an elite all-boys school. Harabi, a popular tomboy, becomes the girls' rep on a student council full of hot guys. She soon gets a reputation as one tough cookie! Harabi even starts dating former girl-hater Yasuaki. Enter Takasu Sano, Harabi's childhood pal. After ten years away, Take suddenly reappears—and declares war against Yasu! Harabi starts falling for her old friend, but soon realizes Yasu is her true one-and-only. ♡ Yasuaki and Harabi hook up again, but are they ready to enter that big scary world beyond...kissng?

HAPPY HUSTLE HIGH





YEAH!
THEY
LOOK LIKE
THIS!

WATSU-
TANI
MUSH-
ROOMS?

I'm
not
sure
about
that!

OH,
EXCUSE
ME!

IS THERE A
SHOP NEAR
HERE THAT
SELLS
WATSUTANI
MUSHROOMS?

GOT
A
SEC?



SWISHH

NOW!

POW POW

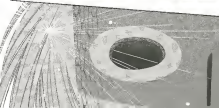
HUMP

ACK!

WHAT THE HELL?

CRASH

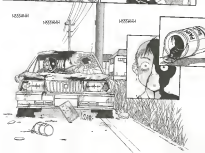






GUARVE
YOUR
MONEY

NOVA!





SEXUAL
PREDATORS
ARE GETTING
ROBBED NEAR
SCHOOL?



ONLY ONE PERSON
WOULD DO SOMETHING
LIKE THAT .



WHAT?



WE'D
BETTER
LEAVE 'EM
BE.

YEP! BUT THE
GOPS DON'T
KNOW IT SEEMS
PERKS
DON'T FILE
COMPLAINTS...



?

DUH?



WORD
IS THE
BANDITS
ARE
NEAR
HIGH
BAGGS.







...BUT
ENOUGH
IS
ENOUGH!

I FEEL
BAD-NOT
TELLING
THE
GUYS...

SO
WHAT IF
STUDENT
COUNCIL'S
SNOOPIN'
AROUND?

YOU'RE
ALL STILL
MAD,
RIGHT?



WHAT
THE HELL'S
WRONG
WITH THIS
WORLD?

WITH A
SUCKING
SQUASH
JOB?

AND HOW'D
THE OTHER
DIE A GUY
POKE ME
IN THE
BUTT...

THOSE
PEEPING
TONGS
TAKING
PIES
OF OUR
PANTS!

TRY
TO GRAB
SS-ON
CURTAIN
HOME!



RIGHT!
RIGHT!
RIGHT!

WE GOTTA
PROTECT
OURSELVES,
LADIES!

Right

THE COPS ARE
CLUELESS.
THE TEACHERS
WOULD
BLAME US.

OUR
PARENTS?
ALL TALK, NO
ACTION!

SWIP
OUR
UNIFORMS
FROM THE
LOCKER
ROOM!

ETC,
ETC, AND
ETC!

THE
CHICKS OF
MEIRI HIGH WILL
NOT TOLERATE
DEMENTED
AGTS!

WE'LL
SHOW
THOSE
SLEAZE-
BALLS!

DOWN WITH PERVERTS! YE-E-EAH!



HANABIS
DEFINITELY
BEHIND
THIS...

PAINT

WHOW!
LOOKS
BAD!



SEND AN SOS, IF SOMETHING COMES UP.

GRAB! BREAK UP INTO TWO GROUPS AND PATROL THE AREA.

ROGER!

SEND AN SOS, IF SOMETHING COMES UP.

GRAB! BREAK UP INTO TWO GROUPS AND PATROL THE AREA.

ROGER!

SEND AN SOS, IF SOMETHING COMES UP.

OKAY! BREAK UP INTO TWO GROUPS AND PATROL THE AREA.

ROGER!

KOPPI!

UH, YEAH

CAN'T SHAKE THIS DAMN GOLD...

WOW!

UH, YEAH...

CAN'T SHAKE THIS DAMN GOLD...

KOP!!

UH, YES!!

CAN'T SHAKE THIS DAMN GOLD...

KOPP!

UH, YEAH...

CAN'T SHAKE THIS DAMN GOLD...



WHY? WHAT'S
UP? WHY
ARE YOU
HERE?

STILL
TOO SACK
TO GO
SURFING?



WHY? WHAT'S
UP? WHY
ARE YOU
HERE?

STILL
TOO SACK
TO GO
SURFING?

UH, YASU!



NOW GO
STRAIGHT
HOME,
EVERYBODY!
ALL RIGHT?



I'M
STEALING
HIMAWARI!
OHAY, GIRLS!

UH,
SURE! NO
PROB!



HOWNA
GRAB A
BITE?

I'M NOT
SURFING
TODAY
EITHER.

HUH?



WE
WILL!



I'M
SURPRISED,
YASU. YOU
HARDLY EVER
TAKE ME TO
PLACES LIKE
THIS.

MY TREAT,
SO GO
CRAZY





YOU
NEED TO
BUILD
YOURSELF
UP.

WELL,
YOU HARDLY
EVER GET A
COLD.



I HATE
LYING
TO HIM!

BOY,
DO I
FEEL
GUILTY.



UH,
NOTHING.



WHAT'S
WRONG?



HOW
SWEET



HE'S SO
CONCERNED
ABOUT MY
LITTLE
SNIFFLES.





YASU'S
HANDSOME
FACE
ALMOST
MADE
ME
SPELL



NO! I
CAN'T
TELL!



AN
EMER-
GENCY!



NO WAY
CAN I EAT
NOW! I'LL
JUST GO .

OH,
NOT MY
RASING-HOT
FEVER IS
BACK!



I'M
SERIOUS!
WHAT'S
GONNA
HAPP

CRASH

HAPP



GOODBYE 2004



AFTER I FINISHED MGS AT THE BEGINNING OF DECEMBER, I CLEARED MY HOUSE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. THE HARDEST THING TO DEAL WITH WAS ALL THE PAPERS I HAD ONTO SO MUCH MANGA STUFF THINKING I CAN USE IT LATER, AND I'M JUST AS BAD WITH HOBBY BOOKS...

I TIED UP FOR TWO WEEKS WITH ONE REMAIN IN HAND: READING K-I DYNAMITE, A SERIES I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO, IN A NICE CLEAN ROOM. IT FELT SOOOO GOOD! I EVEN HAD TIME TO MAKE SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S DINNER. SO THE END OF 2004 WAS VERY PRODUCTIVE!

K-I WAS GOOD TOO.







IT'S
HARD
LING
TO
FIGHT,
TOO...

WELL,
WHAT
DO
WE
DO?

TORHIGA
REALLY GRILLED
ME TODAY, IT
WAS HARD
LING TO
HURL.

BUT THAT
PUTS US
IN MORE
DANGER!

IT'S
GOTTA
BE SO
EXTREME
THE FERG'S
WILL THINK
WE'RE
POISON!

BUT
WE'VE
GOTTA
MAKE IT
COUNT.

THOSE
SICKOS
WILL NEVER
DROP TROU
AGAIN!

REALLY?
THEN
WE'LL
QUIT?

ONE
MORE
MISSION.

OH,
YEAH!

POSSIBLY!

WE'RE IN POSITION.

SWISH
SWISH

THE NEXT DAY

GOOF!

DISGUST!
IT'S LIKE
YOU'RE
HEARING
HEARD FROM
SCHOOL!

POUNCE

SWISH

GEEZ,
HANAEBI!
HOW DO YOU
THINK UP
STUFF LIKE
THIS?

HE WILL
REMEMBER
THIS DAY FOR
THE REST OF
HIS LIFE.

CRY
AND WEEP,
SLIME-
BUCKET!

ESPECIALLY
WHEN HE
FEELS LIKE
HAVING
SEX.





HE'S
GETTING
HIS JUST
REWARD.

I FEEL
KINDA SORRY
FOR OUR
DEBATE
OF THE
DAY...



SUSPICIOUS
CAR
APPROACH-
ING!



WAS
TRIED
TO GET
INTO
COLLEGE
FOR
FIVE
YEARS!

HE'S A
FAMOUS
FREAK
AROUND
HERE!

OH,
MUM!

WHEN
THE OTHER
WACKOS GET
WIND OF
THIS...

...THEY
WON'T EVEN
THINK OF
MESSIN' WITH
ME! HIGH
GIRLS!







NOW
AREN'T
YOU ALL
EMBARRASSED?



THE
GUYS ARE
HERE!



DON'T
EVER PULL
A STUNT
LIKE THIS
AGAIN.

THE
MEIBI
GUYS WILL
PROTECT
YOU.



YASU.



HOW
SWEET!

WHAT
WAS
THAT?

WOW
!



I KNOW
YOU'RE
OUT
THERE!

HAAAAA!
!



THIS
IS BAD.
LET'S
GO!

HEY!

COWER

Glare

Start

Glare

Start

HURRY

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

Uh-Oh

TO GET ME TO TALK?

THAT'S WHY YOU ASKED ME THERE?

I REALLY WANTED YOU TO TELL ME YESTERDAY, HANSEL.

HOW'D YOU KNOW IT WAS ME?

YOU SMELLED LIKE PAINT.

I KNEW FROM THE GET GO.



...BUT
WE
REALLY
WILL
TRY.

WE
CAN'T
PROTECT
YOU
24/7...

ROBBERY
IS A
CRIME!

IT
WAS
NOT
DIRTY!

BUT WE
NEEDED
TO BUY
PAINT AND
STUFF...

WHAT
YOU DID
WAS
DANGEROUS!

SO
STOP TRYING
TO SAVE THE
WORLD FROM
WEIRDOOS,
OKAY?



I FEEL
SAD
THAT...

WE CAN'T
COUNT ON
TEACHERS,
COPS, OR
PARENTS...



WE'LL
GET YOUR
BACKS
ON YOUR
WAY TO
SCHOOL.

GOT
IT?



AND ON
YOUR WAY
HOME.



BUT
WE CAN
COUNT
ON THE
MIGHTY
MEN OF
MEER!



**SORRY
FOR ALL
THE
TROUBLE!**

HEE
HEE!

WE'RE
DONE!

IT'S
OVER!

WE ARE
SO-O-O
LUCKY TO BE
MEET HIGH
CHICKS!

AM I
PRETTY?

GEE!

PUKE

YAHOOOOO!

YASUUU

YASUU

AND I FELL
DEEPER
IN LOVE
WITH YASU

AFTER
THAT, THE
GUYS AND
GIRLS REALLY
BONDED.

CAW

CAW

**HAPPY
HUSTLE
HIGH**





I AM SO PISSED!

YOU'RE
THE
WORST!

YASU!

EVERY-
THING'S
WRONG!!

SOMETHING
WRONG?

GOOD
MORNING,
HANABI!

SOB!

WANT
ME TO
CHEW HIM
OUT FOR
YOU?

WOW!

AND
HE
LAUGHED!

ABOUT
LAST
NIGHT

TASU
REALLY
STEAMS
ME!

I SPENT
ODDLES
ON SEXY
UNDER-
WEAR...

...GOT
THE GUTS
TO WEAR
IT...

GLARE

YOU MADE
TASU HATE
BIRLS IN
KINDER-
GARTEN!

THIS
IS ALL
YOUR
FAULT,
TOSHI!

I WAS
SO-O-O
hurt!

SHE'S
VENTING...



YOU
DON'T
KNOW
THAT.

MAYBE
THAT'S WHY
YASU KISS
WITH YOU
NOW.

WE'D
BE MADLY
IN LOVE IF
YOU HADN'T
MESSED
HIM UP.

YASU
LIKED
GIRLS
BEFORE,
RIGHT?



I
want the
old Yasu
back!



YEAH? WHO
ELSE CRACKS
UP AT HIS
GIRLFRIEND'S
UNDERWEAR?



I DON'T
THINK
SO.

WHY
NOT?



SOUNDS
AWESOME!
I'D BE ALL
GIRL, AND
YASU WOULD
PROTECT
ME!

...AND
YOU WERE
STILL A
GIRLFRIEND

OKAY,
THEN
SUPPOSE
YASU
NEVER
CHANGED

YASU IS MY
DESTINY! OUR
RELATIONSHIP
WOULD BE
EVEN MORE
AMAZING!



I
WONDER



IT
WOULD!

THINGS
WOULD BE
DIFFERENT
FROM DAY ONE,
WHEN WE MET AT
THE DRINKING
FOUNTAIN...



PIE

PIE





WHY
THE
TEARS?



UH, I MEAN,
I NEED A
DRINK OF
WATER...

POOFY
HAIR!



A
GUY!

YOU
OKAY?



~~~~~



WHY  
ARE YOU  
HERE?

THE  
ASSEMBLY  
ALREADY  
STARTED!



I'M  
GOING  
RIGHT  
AFTER MY  
DRINK.

YOU  
SHOULD  
GET TO  
THE GYM.

DON'T  
WAIT  
UP!



AM I  
RIGHT  
?

WELL,  
YOU'RE  
HERE,  
TOO!



DON'T  
CRY.

YOUR  
HAIR  
LOOKS  
JUST  
FINE.





IT LOOKS  
LIKE A  
POW-POW,  
IN FACT.  
ADORABLE.







ABOUT  
TIME, YASU!  
YOU'RE  
GIVING THE  
BIG WELCOME,  
REMEMBER?



IT'S  
FALL, BUT  
IT FEELS  
LIKE  
SPRING!

WHO  
KNEW  
THIS ULTRA-  
CONSERVATIVE  
BOYS SCHOOL  
WOULD GO  
GO-ED?



HERE'S  
THE  
GRAPH



THANKS,  
KUNO. I  
LOVE YOU  
DUDE.



YOU  
GOT  
IT!

DA  
TAD

BACK  
IN 30  
SECONDS.



TORIKIYA!  
GO BUY US  
DRINKS.



SHREEEK



AND NOW  
A WELCOME  
MESSAGE  
FROM THE VICE  
PRESIDENT...

200000M



SHREEEK

HE'S  
THE GUY  
I JUST  
MET!



ARE YOU  
THAT DUMB?  
YOU NEVER  
HEARD  
OF TAGUAG  
GARAGU?

HIS  
NAME IS  
TAGUAG  
GARAGU?

REALLY?  
YOU MET  
TAGUAG  
GARAGU?

HE'LL  
JUST  
BUST  
YOUR  
HEART.

LISTEN  
UP, GIRL.  
DO NOT  
FALL  
FOR  
HIM.



NOBODY  
KNOWS  
HOW MANY  
GIRLS HE  
DATES.

HE'S  
STUDENT  
COUNCIL VP,  
AND A  
MAJOR  
PLAYER.

HE'S  
EVEN FAMOUS!  
HE'S ACTUALLY  
BEEN  
IN SURFING  
MAGAZINES!



















**WANNA  
BE MY  
GIRL?**





I  
LIKE  
YOU



BUFF



WHAT  
?



HE  
IS MY  
DESTINY

...AFTER  
ALL

WHAT?

DON'T  
GET ALL  
CLINGY,  
OKAY?











YOU  
KNOW...



SORRY  
ABOUT  
YESTER-  
DAY.

SORRY  
I, UH,  
LAUGHED.



**HUG**

!!



I'M  
THRILLED  
YOU'RE LIKE  
THIS!

NO  
WORRIES!

I'M SO  
GLAD  
YOU'RE  
ALL  
MINE!



LIES  
MAYBE?



WINKA  
DO-OVER  
YESTERDAY?

I WON'T  
LAUGH  
THIS TIME,  
PROMISE.



CLUB

PROMISE

WHAT'S  
SO FUNNY,  
BUSTER?

THAT'S  
WHY I  
BOUGHT  
IT!

THAT'S  
WHAT  
THE  
SALES-  
CLERK  
SAID!

HEE  
HEE  
HEE  
HEE

That's so  
funny

I LOVE  
YOU,  
HANA.

I'M  
SORRY.

HEH.

HEE  
HEE HEE  
I CAN'T  
HELP IT!

HMPH!



...GETTING  
READY  
FOR THE  
SCHOOL  
FESTIVAL.

STUDENT  
COUNCIL  
IS REALLY  
BUSY...

TONKUSA  
IS IN  
CHARGE OF  
POSTERS  
AND  
STUFF.

YASU HAS  
GIVEN UP  
SURFING...  
...TO  
MEET  
WITH  
DEPART-  
MENT  
HEADS.

KOSHITOMO  
IS  
COMMANDER-  
IN-CHIEF.





IT'S SO  
MUCH WORK  
BUT YASU  
AND I ARE  
HAVING FUN!

AND  
LITTLE OL'  
ME?

I'M RENTING  
ALL THE  
EQUIPMENT  
WE'LL NEED!

One  
cotton  
candy  
machine



OUR  
THEME IS  
WONDER-  
LAND.

STUDENT  
COUNCIL  
REALLY NEEDS  
TO BUCKLE  
DOWN.

...TO  
MAKE THE  
FESTIVAL A  
SUCCESS!



OH!

I WON'T  
BE READY  
UNTIL NEXT  
WEEK.

BY  
THE WAY,  
THE MR. &  
MRS. MUSE  
POSTERS...

CLASSES  
CAN START  
BUILDING  
DISPLAYS  
NEXT  
WEEK.

OHAY!  
LET'S FINISH  
UP OUR  
JOBS THIS  
WEEK.

WEST  
SCHOOL  
FESTIVAL

WHAT'S  
THAT?

MR.  
& MRS.  
MUSE?

SINCE  
WE'RE NOT  
ALLOWED  
TO ENTER,  
I TOTALLY  
FORGOT!

OH,  
YEAH!

MR. & MRS.  
MUSE

STUDENT  
COUNCIL  
BOY

WE'LL VOTE  
FOR ONE GUY  
AND ONE GIRL  
DURING THE  
FESTIVAL.

REMEM-  
BER? WE  
DECIDED  
A WHILE  
BACK.

## HELLO 2005



MY FIRST JOB OF 2005 WAS TO READ THROUGH A SPECIAL ISSUE. I ACTUALLY FOUND SOMETHING I WROTE A LONG TIME AGO. (AMAZING!) I COULDN'T IMAGINE I WROTE IT! I REMEMBER I COULDN'T STILL USE IT, BUT IT DID NEED A LITTLE DESIGN. I WON'T CHANGE THE STORY MUCH, BUT REVISED THE ARTWORK WHEN YOU READ IT, PLEASE REMEMBER I WROTE THIS BEFORE MY MARCH DEBUT. THAT OLD STORY REALLY CRYSTALIZED ME UP THE ARTWORK IS REALLY FUN, BUT THE PLOT IS SWEET YET ANTI-CLIMAX.

(THIS SPECIAL ISSUE WILL BE ON SALE IN MARCH 2005.)

MR. MENDS WILL BE A TIME KEEPER.

MRS. MENDS WILL BE A WONDERLAND FAIRY.

THEY CAN WEAR OUTFITS TO MATCH OUR THEME.



WHAT? NOW WE'RE WEARING CLOTHES, TOO?

And so it goes.



NO NEED TO THANK ME.

YOUR HONORABLE MENTION WON THE POSTER!

OH MY





WHOA!  
THAT  
THOUGHT  
WAS SO  
NOT ME!

Yonda  
Ozama is  
that  
tough?



YEAH,  
I THINK  
SO.

SONNA  
GO WITH  
THIS  
ONE!

NO  
TIME TO  
DREAM  
ABOUT  
DRESSES!

I'VE GOTTA  
SEE ABOUT  
RENTING  
THIS.

I WISH  
WE  
COULD  
HEAR  
THESE  
OUTFITS

THOUGH~IT WAS





RUMOR

STUDENT  
COUNCIL  
MEMBERS  
CAN'T  
ENTER, HAY



YASU WOULD  
DEFINITELY  
NOT BE INTO  
IT.

Oh, yes

BUT I'D  
NEVER WIN  
MRS. REIJI  
EVEN IF I  
COULD  
ENTER.

THAT  
DRESS  
SURE IS  
PRETTY...

YOU  
TOO















SO  
MANY!

YAKU  
IS



GASP!

YOU  
OKAY,  
HANABU?

MY  
YASU!!

I JUST  
LOOKED  
AT YASU  
I A REALLY  
DEMENTED  
MAN

WE STILL  
HAVE  
LOTS TO  
DO.

YOU  
CAN'T WUSS  
OUT ON  
ALL THIS  
LATER.

I CAN  
HELP, YOU  
KNOW.





YOU'RE  
DOIN' ALL  
SOFT AND  
SMOOSHY LIKE  
A GIRL!

RAPP

GET  
A  
GRIP!

RAPP

YOU  
DUMMY!

YASU'S  
RIGHT, I  
NEED TO  
FOCUS!



DISAPPOINTING  
HIM WOULD BE  
MAYBE WORSE  
THAN NOT  
WEARING THAT  
DRESS!

IMPOSSIBLE.  
I CAN'T RENT  
ICE CREAM  
EQUIPMENT  
FOR THAT  
PRICE!

CAFE DE ICE

PLEASE  
GIVE ME  
A GOOD  
DEAL!

BUT  
CAN'T YOU DO  
SOMETHING  
?

THEY'LL  
PUSH YOUR  
PRODUCT  
ON EVERY  
BUYING  
GOES BY!

HERE'S THE  
PLAN, MISS  
HIGH GIRLS  
WILL HAND  
OUT HERE FOR  
THE NEXT  
MONTH.

REST  
ASSURED, SIR.  
I'LL MAKE IT  
WORTH YOUR  
WHILE!



WHA-WHA!  
DID THAT  
MORETASTE  
TASTE!

THIS SHOP'S  
ICE CREAM  
IS SO  
YUMMY!









BUT  
OUR ROLE  
IS MORE  
IMPORTANT,  
ISN'T IT?



I FEEL  
BAD THAT  
WE CAN'T  
ENTER.

*All*  
OF THE  
FESTIVAL  
EVENTS.



SO  
I'M GLAD  
TO BE ON  
STUDENT  
COUNCIL!



OKAY!

HANABU  
TELE-  
PHONE!

I EVEN  
KNOW WHAT  
I'M GONNA  
WEAR!

I  
DID  
IT!

SATUR-  
DAY



I'M SO  
RELIEVED.

It's  
done!

I CAN  
FINISH  
ALL MY  
FESTIVAL  
STUFF  
TODAY!



WHAT?

THE COSTUME  
SHOP JUST  
CALLED, THERE'S  
A PROBLEM  
WITH YOUR  
ORDER.

THEY  
WANT YOU  
TO STOP  
BY.

GOOD  
TIMING,  
HANABI!



ICAN'T  
HAVE  
FLUB-UPS  
NOW!!

DAMN!

IT'S  
ABOUT  
THE  
OUTFITS FOR  
MR. & MRS.  
MEIBI.  
BETTER  
HURRY.

(FROM  
MEIBI  
HIGHT'S  
STUDENT  
COUNCIL)

**WHAMM**

**EEEEK!**

OH, NO!

A  
PROBLEM  
WITH THAT  
DRESS?

YOU'RE  
HERE TO  
CHECK  
THE SIZE,  
RIGHT?

Oh,  
yeah.

OH,  
THANK  
YOU FOR  
COMING.

WHAT'S  
THE PRO-  
BLEM?

EVERY-  
THING  
WAS GO'N  
SO GREAT  
!

DON'T  
TELL  
ME IT'S  
ALREADY  
RENTED!





LOOKS  
LIKE THE  
SUIT FITS  
PERFECTLY

アスノエウ...



OVER  
THERE,  
CHILD!

TRY  
IT  
ON?  
YOU  
WANT  
ME TO  
TRY IT  
ON?



YSA



HOW?

I GET  
TO  
WEAR  
THE  
DRESS!



YASU???



A  
REWARD  
FOR ALL  
YOUR HARD  
WORK.

WHAT'S  
GOIN'  
ON?

YOU  
WANTED  
TO WEAR  
THAT DRESS,  
RIGHT?



EXCUSE  
ME! CAN  
YOU WET  
DOWN HER  
HAIR?





LET'S  
PRETEND  
IT'S A DRESS  
REHEARSAL

YOU  
THINK  
SO?





THANK  
YOU,  
YASU!

I'M  
SO  
HAPPY!

I REALLY  
WANTED  
US TO  
WEAR  
THESE  
CLOTHES!



IT WAS  
JUST FOR  
STUDENT  
COUNCIL,  
AFTER  
ALL...

OHAY,  
OHAY!



AND  
YAGU  
LOOKS  
SO  
COOL!

SHE  
LOOKS SO  
PRETTY!

IS THAT  
REALLY  
HAWAY?

NO  
WAY!



...GETS  
TO WEAR  
THAT  
DRESS!

SHOOT  
FOR THE  
GRAND  
PRIZE! THE  
WINNER.

NOW GO  
ENTER THE  
CONTEST,  
EVERY-  
BODY!



...BECAUSE  
I'M ON  
STUDENT  
COUNCIL.

I CAN'T  
ENTER.

XX ANNUAL MEIBI HIGH SPECIAL EVENT

**SIGN UP TODAY FOR THE MR. AND  
MRS. MEIBI CONTEST!**

YOUR  
FUTURE  
WEDDING  
WILL  
SHINE

BUT I'LL  
DO MY  
BEST...

...TO  
MAKE THE  
FESTIVAL  
REALLY ROCK,  
YASU!

**HAPPY  
HUSTLE  
HIGH**





FESTIVAL  
PLANS ARE  
MOVING  
RIGHT  
ALONG AT  
MIDNIGHT  
HIGH...

AND AT  
HARUOJI'S  
HOUSE,  
TODAY...

SECOND  
YEAR

YASUA-  
KIN!!!  
GARA-  
KUUUUU

HERE'S

CLASS  
A!!!





TA-DA!  
♡

LET'S  
KEEP IT  
SIMPLE,  
OKAY?

IT'S  
NOT A  
BOXING  
MATCH,  
HANABI.

COOL,  
HUN?

THE  
SPOTLIGHT  
SHINES  
DOWN!  
THEN YOU  
APPEAR!



SHOT  
DOWN!

WHAT-  
EVER  
MEANS  
WHAT-  
EVER.

WHO  
DATA  
MEANS  
WHAT-  
EVER?

WHAT-  
EVER.

VERY  
THINGS  
ARE  
MOVIN'  
RIGHT  
ALONG...



SOMETIMES  
WE HAVE SO  
MUCH FUN!  
CAN'T STAND  
IT!

STRESS

WE GET  
ALONG  
BETTER,  
TOO!

GOOD  
IDEA TO  
HAVE THE  
MEETINGS  
AT YOUR  
HOUSE.

WE  
UNDERSTAND  
EACH OTHER  
BETTER.

HE  
HASN'T  
HAD SEX  
YET, BUT

WHAT-  
EVER.

?





SO  
MUCH FUN  
I CAN'T  
STAND  
IT...

SNORRRRE



SHE'S A  
FUNNY  
ONE.



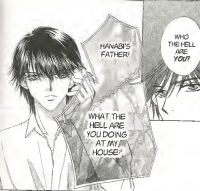
A  
KITTEN,  
HUMP

NOOT











WOW.  
I REALLY ZONED  
OUT LAST  
NIGHT.



MY DAD'S  
GONNA  
BACK!

SO I  
HEARD.



?

I'LL GO  
WITH YOU  
TO PICK  
HIM UP.



HE HAS A  
REALLY BAD  
IMPRESSION  
RIGHT  
NOW.

I SHOULD  
EXPLAIN ABOUT  
US, HOW WE  
SPEND THE NIGHT  
TOGETHER  
SOMETIMES



NOW HIS  
HONOR  
STUDENT  
SIDE IS  
SHOWING.

I WANNA  
SET  
THINGS  
STRAIGHT.

I  
CAN'T  
RELAX



RELAX  
IT'S ALL  
GOOD.

My dad  
is so  
not like  
you.



TWO  
DAYS  
LATER

That's a really  
great idea you  
found out  
yourself



HEY,  
HANABI!



BUT...  
...THAT SHOWS  
HE'S REALLY  
SERIOUS  
ABOUT US.

MY  
DAD LOVES  
THE OUTDOORS,  
TOO. HE AND  
YASU WILL GET  
ALONG JUST  
GREAT!

I CAN'T  
WAIT 'TIL  
HE MEETS  
MY FIRST  
BOYFRIEND

TAKERU!

LONG  
TIME, NO  
SEE!

UH,  
LOOK  
WHO'S  
HERE!  
Oh, Takeru

AND  
WE'RE IN  
A HURRY.  
SEE YA!

ANYWHERE  
YOU  
WANT!

WHYNA  
TAKE A  
RIDE?

I GOT  
MY  
LICENSE

WE'RE REALLY  
ACTUALLY  
OFF TO THE  
AIRPORT TO  
GET MY  
DAD!











I'M  
JUST  
TURNING  
IN THIS.

YASU!  
IS SOME-  
THING  
WRONG?

**DAD  
!!**

WHAT?

HEY IT'S  
HANA'S DAD!

WE  
KNOW THAT!

OH!  
HEY,  
HANA!

I'M  
SORRY

THIS  
GUY IS  
HANABI'S  
BOYFRIEND  
?

HAVE  
YOU TWO  
ALREADY  
DONE  
IT?

SO!

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
SAYING?

### Worst Case Scenario...

I  
KNOW!  
SADLY  
THEY  
WAS  
NOT

YOU  
CAN  
REALLY  
CALL  
EM,  
PER  
OI

WHY  
DON'T  
YOU  
DATE  
TAKESHI,  
HANABI?

SEE?  
THAT'S  
WHY  
I  
TOLD  
TATO  
RELAX!

I  
LIKE  
HIM  
BETTER.



YOU'RE  
SO  
NATURE  
NUT!

SOMETIMES  
SURFING CAN  
MAKE PEOPLE  
BETTER HUMAN  
BEINGS.



FOR  
REAL?  
HEAR  
THAT,  
HANABI?

THEN YOU  
HAVE MY  
BLESSING.

DEFI-  
NITELY.

TAKEN!  
YOU HAVE  
FEELINGS  
FOR MY  
DAUGHTER?

SEE,  
HANABI?  
HE WANTS  
YOU TO  
SWITCH  
SIDES!

HEY!

HEY  
HEY

HEAR  
THAT, TASU?  
HANABI'S  
MINE.

YOU  
ARE SO  
LAME!

FATHER'S  
ORDERS, HANA!  
WE ARE  
TAKEN FROM  
TODAY ON!

**TAKEN!!  
TAKEN!!**

JUST  
IGNORE  
EM,  
TASU.

**SHINJI**

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**TAKEN!  
TAKEN!**







YOUR  
BOY-  
FRIEND'S  
A Nice  
Guy.

HEY!



KASU!



YOU  
CAUGHT  
YOURSELF A  
GOOD ONE,  
HANA!

PLUS  
HE DIDN'T  
GET MAD  
WHEN I  
PICKED ON  
HIM!



WAAAGH!

**YOU ARE  
SUCH AN  
IDIOT,  
DAD!!**

TWACK



HE  
PASSES  
MY  
TEST!





I'M  
SORRY



BUT ALL HE  
DID WAS  
TALK ABOUT  
TAKI..

HE  
WAS ONLY  
TEASING.  
PLEASE DON'T  
TAKE HIM  
SERIOUSLY.

YOU  
TRIED SO  
HARD TO  
BE NICE  
TO MY  
DAD..



YOU'RE  
MINE...



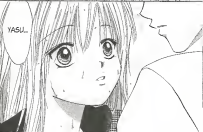
OR  
ANYBODY  
ELSE!

I  
DON'T  
CARE  
WHAT  
MY  
DAD  
SAYS!





YOU'RE  
MINE,  
HANABI.



YASU...



NO  
MORE MR.  
SERIOUS.

LET'S  
GO BACK  
TO MY...  
*BEDROOM.*



IS HE  
THINKING  
ABOUT...  
SEX?

The boy

No way

...AND  
TELL HIM  
YOU WON'T  
BE HOME  
TONIGHT.

I'LL  
CALL  
YOUR  
DAD.

**NO  
WAY!!**







**SLAM**



LET'S GO.

HANDED!



I FINALLY  
STOOD  
UP TO  
TAKE!

THIS

IS



...



I JUST  
LET HER GO  
WITHOUT  
SAYING  
ANYTHING.

DAMN!





...STAYING  
HERE  
TONIGHT?

AM I  
REALLY...



100%



...A-R-  
READY?



B-SAP

B-SAP

B-SAP

B-SAP



HAYABUSA

CROSS

FULL-TIME





...I'LL  
WORK  
OUT A  
PLAN.

...BEFORE  
YOU  
GET'S  
BACK.

IT'S  
FINALLY

...SOMETHING  
HAPPEN



...THEN  
?

BUT  
WHAT  
DO  
I DO.

I'LL JUST  
JUMP  
INTO HIS  
ARMS.

HE  
CAN'T HELP  
ME GET  
SOME--

IF HE STALLS  
AND GETS  
EMBARRASSED



IF HE  
KISSES  
ME.



# NOTICE

## FREE SCREENTONE!

I BOUGHT SOME  
SCREENTONE A WHILE  
BACK THAT I REALLY  
DON'T NEED BUT I  
HATE TO Toss IT.  
ANYBODY INTERESTED?  
JUST SEND ME A  
LETTER. I'D LIKE TO  
GIVE IT TO A YOUNG  
STUDENT WHO'S  
INTERESTED IN  
DRAWING MANIA OR  
GOUNGSH.

SCREENTONE ISN'T  
CHEAP PLUS THERE ARE  
NO DO-OWERS WHEN  
USING IT. BUT  
REMEMBER, I  
COULDN'T USE THIS  
STUFF, SO PLEASE  
DON'T SAY "I CAN'T  
USE THIS CRAP" IF YOU  
GET IT. A BANNER WILL  
NOT BE ANNOUNCED  
I'LL JUST SHIP THEM  
THE SCREENTONE. IF I  
GET LOTS OF LETTERS,  
I'LL PICK ONE FROM  
THE PILE. IF JUST A  
FEW PEOPLE WRITE,  
I'LL PICK IT UP  
EQUALLY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE:  
SORRY! THIS OFFER  
ENDED ON  
JUNE 30, 2005.)



...TOUCH  
HIS  
FACE.

I  
COULD







WE  
DON'T  
HAFTA,  
YOU  
KNOW.



ONE  
QUES-  
TION.

DOES  
'NO MORE  
WIL SERIOUS'  
MEAN...

...YOU'RE  
GONNA  
BE A  
PLAYER  
NOW?

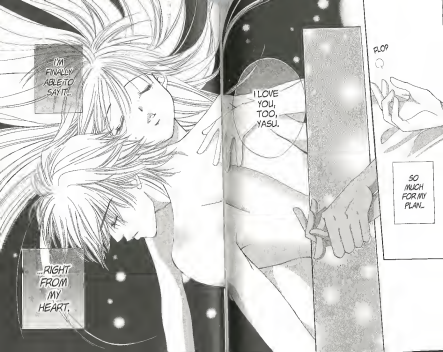


I'M THE  
ONE WHO'S  
STALLING!





I WANT  
YOU TO  
BE ALL  
MINE...



I'M  
FINALLY  
ABLE TO  
SAY IT.

...RIGHT  
FROM  
MY  
HEART.

I LOVE  
YOU,  
TOO,  
YASU.

RLOP

SO  
MUCH  
FOR MY  
PLAN.



IT FEELS  
LIKE A  
DREAM.



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I JUST  
HAD SEX  
WITH  
YASU.

MORNING...

MORNING?



ME, TOO!

TOO

TOO

WISH WE  
COULD RELAX  
AROUND LIKE  
THIS ALL  
DAY.

YEAH, IT'S  
ALMOST  
HERE...

BUT WE  
HAFTA GET  
READY  
FOR THE  
FESTIVAL.









OMI-GOSH!  
NO  
WAY!

SHREEEEK



HANABI

**YASU-  
AKIIIIII  
!**

**DON'T  
DO  
THAT!**

**WAIT A  
SECOND  
!**

**HE'LL  
GAS IF  
GIRLS  
GANG  
UP ON  
HIM!**

**BOY,  
IT'S  
HOT.**

**IT'S  
HOT.**

**REALLY  
HOT.**

**LET'S GO  
CONGRATULATE  
YASU!**

**YEAH!  
CYRONE!**

**RUN!**



THANKS  
FOR  
EVERYTHING  
YOU'VE  
DONE FOR  
HANABI!

GOOD  
MORNING,  
YASUKE!

THANK  
YOU SO  
MUCH!

AKK!

I  
CAN'T  
LOOK

RUN!

YASU!



AND I'M  
REGUIN!

YOU'RE  
ANNA...

I'M  
SORRY,  
TELL ME  
AGAIN.





WHAT'S  
WRONG,  
HWAAB?











MY GIRL  
ALLERGY IS  
COMPLETELY  
CURED.

THANKS  
TO  
HANABU.

BUT...

I'M

...NOT  
HAPPY  
ABOUT  
THAT!

**HAPPY  
HUSTLE  
HIGH**





YOU  
WERE  
COOL  
BUT BEFORE  
YOU'RE  
WAY  
COOLER  
NOW!

YOU  
ARE SO  
COOL,  
TASUAMI!



...A  
WORLD-  
CLASS  
WOMAN-  
IZER!

WHAT  
HAPPENED?  
  
SEX  
DEFINITELY  
CURED  
HIS ORF  
ALLERGY.

HE  
USED TO  
BE ALL  
MINE...

ONLY  
NOW  
HE'S  
BE-  
COME





GUT  
SMELT  
AT  
THEM!

CRASH



YAGU'S  
MY  
BOY-  
FRIEND!



HAVE ANY  
EMAILS  
FROM  
GIRLS?



YAGU'S  
CELL  
PHONE

Gasp!  
I'm becoming  
a ghost-eyed  
monster!



!!

I'M  
STARTING  
TO HATE  
MYSELF...

ALL I DO  
LATELY IS  
THINK  
STUPID  
THOUGHTS...

LOW SELF-ESTEEM...





YOU'RE  
VERY BIG  
WITH THE  
LADIES,  
MR.  
GATAGAKI.

HANABI?

WHATCHA  
BEEN  
GABING  
ABOUT?

THE  
SCHOOL  
FESTI-  
VAL.

NOW?  
BUT THE  
FESTIVAL'S  
TOMORROW!

CAN  
YOU GO  
HOME  
WITHOUT  
ME?



WHAT'S  
SO  
FUNNY?

!?



AND  
ALL  
THANKS  
TO YOU,  
HANABI...

TOMORROW  
WILL BE THE  
COOLEST SCHOOL  
FESTIVAL IN THE  
HISTORY OF MEIJI  
HIGH...



**SIGH!**

Play back on that note again!



AND  
YASU.

...IS  
HAPPY  
A  
BLAST.

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DON'T  
SWEAT  
ABOUT  
THE  
DETAILS.

SEE YOU  
TOMOR-  
ROW.



THERE  
MAY BE  
THINGS HE  
WANTS TO  
KNOW.

PLUS  
KABU IS A  
PERFECT-  
IONIST.

WELL,  
THE  
GIRLS  
DO LOVE  
WOMEN.

YOU  
ARE NOT  
HELPING,  
MUCH.

Go  
relax,  
Harold.

But downs  
are fun!  
Try it on, let  
me see.

THIS  
CLOWN  
COSTUME  
REALLY  
DEPRESSES  
ME.

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
HIS GIRL  
ALLREADY IS  
GONE.

MAKER  
TODGERS  
WILL  
TRADE.

THAT  
BASTARD!



TOHISA

HEY,  
TASUAGI!



IF YOU  
WANNA  
HURT  
HANABI...

WHAT  
THE HELL  
ARE YOU  
THINKING,  
MAN?

I'LL  
TAKE  
HER!



LET'S FIGHT  
FOR HER  
FAIR AND  
SQUARE!

TELL  
YOU  
WHAT!



I DON'T  
HAVE TIME  
FOR THIS  
CRAP.

WHAT  
IS YOUR  
PROBLEM?

YOU  
SOON.



HANABI!

BLAMM

What  
is  
your  
problem?

You  
soon.



I HAVE  
FEELINGS  
FOR YOU!

I'LL  
JUST  
SPIT IT  
RIGHT  
OUT!



RE  
RE  
RE



SIT  
DOWN,  
AIDU  
RABBIT.



SEEING  
TASU WITH  
ALL THOSE  
CHICKS  
MUST  
PISS YOU  
OFF!

BUT,  
HANABI  
!



IT  
DOES.



WANT  
ME TO  
FIGHT  
TASUAKI?

JUST  
SAY THE  
WORD.

I CAN  
BEAT  
HIM NOW,  
EASY.

HELL!  
I CAN KICK  
ROYAL ASS FOR  
SOMETHING  
I CARE  
ABOUT!



I HAVE A  
SECRET  
WISH.

BUT...



AND I  
JUST WANT  
EVERYBODY  
TO BE HAPPY  
FOR ME.

EVEN THOUGH  
I'M A ROWDY  
FRIZZBALL, I  
HAVE A COOL  
BOYFRIEND..



SO IT  
WOULDN'T  
MATTER  
IF YOU  
WON.

AFTER  
ALL, TRUE  
LOVE  
MEANS...

...YOU  
WANT YOUR  
PARTNER  
TO BE HAPPY,  
RIGHT?

AND TRUE  
FRIENDSHIP  
MEANS YOU  
BELIEVE  
IN YOUR  
FRIENDS.

I  
CAN'T BE  
RAD AT  
YASU...

WHEN HE'S  
HAVING  
SO MUCH  
FUN.

AND  
BESIDES  
—  
I CAN'T  
TELL HIS  
FRIENDS NOT  
TO TALK TO  
HIM.





WE CAN  
GO TO  
DISCO  
LESSONS  
TOGETHER

NO

AND  
CHECK OUT  
CLASS 3-B'S  
STEVE  
WONDER-  
LAND.

I DON'T  
WONNA FIGHT  
WITH YASU  
RIGHT  
BEFORE THE  
FESTIVAL.

WE'RE  
GONNA  
HAVE SO  
MUCH  
FUN!



THE  
FESTIVAL  
AT  
LAST!

MEET FESTIVAL

NICE!

WOW,  
THEY  
WENT ALL  
OUT!

3-B IS  
ON THE  
SECOND  
FLOOR,  
USE THOSE  
STAIRS.

INFORMATION

KYAA!  
YOU  
LOOK SO  
HOT!

LAY OFF  
OUR GIRLS,  
YASU'S  
BROTHER!

ONLY A  
THIRD YEAR?  
YOU LOOK  
MUCH  
OLDER.

WHAT?  
YASU'S  
DISAP-  
PEARED  
?

I THINK  
HE'S HERE  
SOMEWHERE!  
HE CAME TO  
SCHOOL  
TODAY...



I CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
THIS!

WHAT  
GIVES  
?

SHAKE SHAKE

WHA?  
TRUST  
ME!

...WITH  
SOME  
GIRLS?

DID  
HE...

SLIP  
AWAY.



ME,  
NEITHER.

NOPE,  
NO IDEA.



HAVE  
YOU  
SEEN  
YASU?

HE'S  
PROBABLY  
JUST

...FINISHING UP  
SOMETHING.



?

WSTG

WSTG

What next?  
There's so  
much to  
do!



INVITED  
US TO  
HAVE FUN  
TOGETHER!

WE  
WORKED  
SO HARD  
ON THIS.



WANTING  
GO WITH  
ME TO THE  
Drama  
CLUB  
PLAY!

It's "Yasu" by  
Shinji.

SORRY  
I'M  
GONNA  
KEEP  
LOOKING  
FOR  
YASU.



**YASU  
!!**

A  
YASU  
IN MY  
LAND?

YASU?

DO  
YOU  
KNOW,  
TWEEDEE  
DUM?

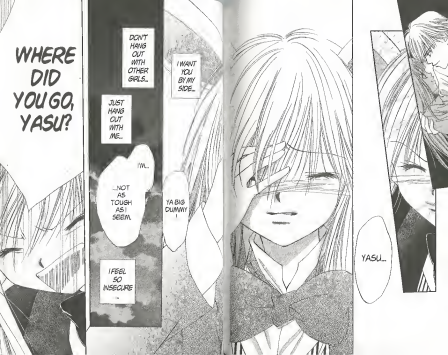
DO  
YOU  
KNOW,  
TWEEDEE  
DEE?

SHEESH

JUST  
TELL HIM I'M  
LOOKING  
FOR HIM.

MAYBE HE  
REALLY DID  
DISAPPEAR  
IN WONDER-  
LAND..

WHERE  
ARE  
YOU?



WHERE  
DID  
YOU GO,  
YASU?

DON'T  
HANG  
OUT  
WITH  
OTHER  
GIRLS...

I WANT  
YOU  
BY MY  
SIDE...

JUST  
HANG  
OUT  
WITH  
ME...

WELL...

...NOT  
AS  
TOUGH  
AS I  
SEEM.

YABO  
DUMMY

I FEEL  
SO  
INSECURE

YASU...



**BLACK  
OUT**

**INFORMATION**

**COME  
OUT!!**

**HELP**



HEHO

THE SCHOOL  
FESTIVAL RUNS  
TOMORROW,  
TOO!

HEHO  
HEHO



DID I  
BLOW A  
FUSE WHEN  
I YELLED  
INTO THAT  
HOLE?

UH-OH!



HEHO



HOO-BOY!  
HAWAB!  
GEORAS  
REALLY  
DONE  
IT THIS  
TIME.

HELP!



HEY!

WHAT  
ARE  
THESE  
THINGS?





I HEARD  
YOU LOVE  
THINGS  
LIKE  
THIS.



WRITING  
THIS  
SONG  
FOR  
YOU.

I ALSO  
HEARD  
ABOUT THE  
MIDDLE  
SCHOOL  
HUMAN.  
PLUS  
LOTS OF  
OTHER  
STUFF..

WHAT?



YOU  
ARE SO  
FUNNY.



THAT'S  
WAY..

WOW.



..YOU  
TALKED  
TO ALL  
THOSE  
GIRLS?

THAT'S  
WHY

OH!



THINK  
I WAS  
CHEATING

TO FIND  
OUT MORE  
ABOUT  
ME!



YOU'RE  
THE ONLY  
GIRL FOR  
ME.

YASU...



YOU  
MAY DO  
SOME  
MESS-UP  
STUFF...

...BUT  
LIFE'S BEEN  
SO COOL  
SINCE I MET  
YOU.

THIS IS  
ONLY THE  
BEGINNING.

I'VE  
CHANGED  
ALOT,  
TOO.

I'M  
A LITTLE  
MORE GIRLY.  
AND GETTING  
GIRLIER  
EVERY DAY!

GIGGLE!  
I LOVE  
YOU,  
YASU!



YOU  
SOUND SO  
SERIOUS!

BUT  
FIGHT  
BACK AT  
YOU.



~~~~~



YOU
ROCK!

IT'S ALL
GOOD,
HANAEL!

CHORE!
EVERY-
BODY'S
HERE
NOW?

WHA!
WHA!
WHA!
WHA!

YOU
ALWAYS
PUNK US,
HANAEL. NOW
IT'S YOUR
TURN!

WHEN I
THOUGHT
YOU WERE
ON TO
US...

WHAT
IS
THIS?

THIS
WAS ALL
YAGU'S
IDEA.



YOUR
FRIENDS
TOLD ME
ABOUT YOUR
WISH.



HEY,
HANABI!
WE'RE SO HAPPY
YOU HAVE
SUCH A COOL
BOYFRIEND!

OH!



YOUR WISH
CAME TRUE
WITH ALL
YOUR
FRIENDS..

HERE
AT MEIJI
HIGH



GET
READY TO
PARTY ALL
NIGHT!

LISTEN
UP,
EVERY-
BODY!

LET'S
HAVE A
HAPPY
HUSTLE
HIGH OF A
TIME!!

The End

HAPPY HUSTLE HIGH

